

James Earl Ray

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Ray Suit Denied *Post 7-7*
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A
Federal judge ruled that
James Earl Ray filed suit in

the wrong court in his ef-
forts to void contracts with
two of his former attorneys
and an author who plans to
write his life story.

In dismissing the case,
U.S. District Judge William
E. Miller said the suit
should have been filed in
the Memphis District of the
Tennessee Federal court,
rather in the Middle Dis-
trict.

Ray contends that famed
Texas trial lawyer Percy
Foreman, Attorney Arthur
J. Hanes Sr. of Birmingham,
and author William Brad-
ford Huie pressured him
into pleading guilty to the
murder of the Rev. Dr. Mar-
tin Luther King Jr. so that
his story would not become
a matter of public record. In
that way, Ray contends,
Huie would have had exclu-
sive story rights, and the at-
torneys would have been
paid through the proceeds
of the writings.



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